(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. The proposed change in the ratio of direct recruitment vis-a-vis promotion at the Junior Time Scale has been necessitated by the need to bringing uniformity at all the levels in the service and to bring the Central Water Engineering (Group 'A') Service rules in line with those of other organised services.

Growings erosion in Gujarat

7549. SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the growing sea erosion in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the estimated annual damage caused to land by sea erosion in that State; and

(c) the details of steps taken to check the growing sea erosion in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The Gujarat Coast is experiencing inundation in small pockets at the mouths of the debouching rivers such as at Ghoga, Bhagwa, Dumas, danoi, Kani Kolak and Umbergaon due to tidal influx specially when the rivers are in spate. Coastal erosion is also noticed at Nani Danti, Moti Danti and Udvada Taluk of Valsad district.

(b) As per study carried out by the State Government in 1987, average annual rate of erosion is 0.65 metres for Valsad district of Gujarat.

(c) The protection against coastal erosion is the responsibility of the State Government. The State Government has undertaken anti sea-erosion Works near Dwarkadhish in two phases. Phase-I works were completed in May, 1989 and thereafter Phase-II were taken up with the advice of Central Water & Power Research Station, Pune. The State Government submitted to Central Water Commission an outline Master Plan for Anti Sea Erosion works in the districts of Valsad, Surat and Bharauch estimated to cost Rs. 10.00 crores. The comments on the Master Plan were communicated by Central Water Commission. No compliance has been received from State Government so far.

Barrages on River Godavari in Andhra Pradesh

7550. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Central Water Commission proposed new sites for barrages on the River Godavari in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Rehabilitation of Displaced Persons

7551. DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether any plan had been formulated for the rehabilitation in respect of people to be displaced by the Kendra Reservoir Project in Uttar Kannada and also for the oustees of the Upper Krishna Project in North Karnataka has been formulated; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.